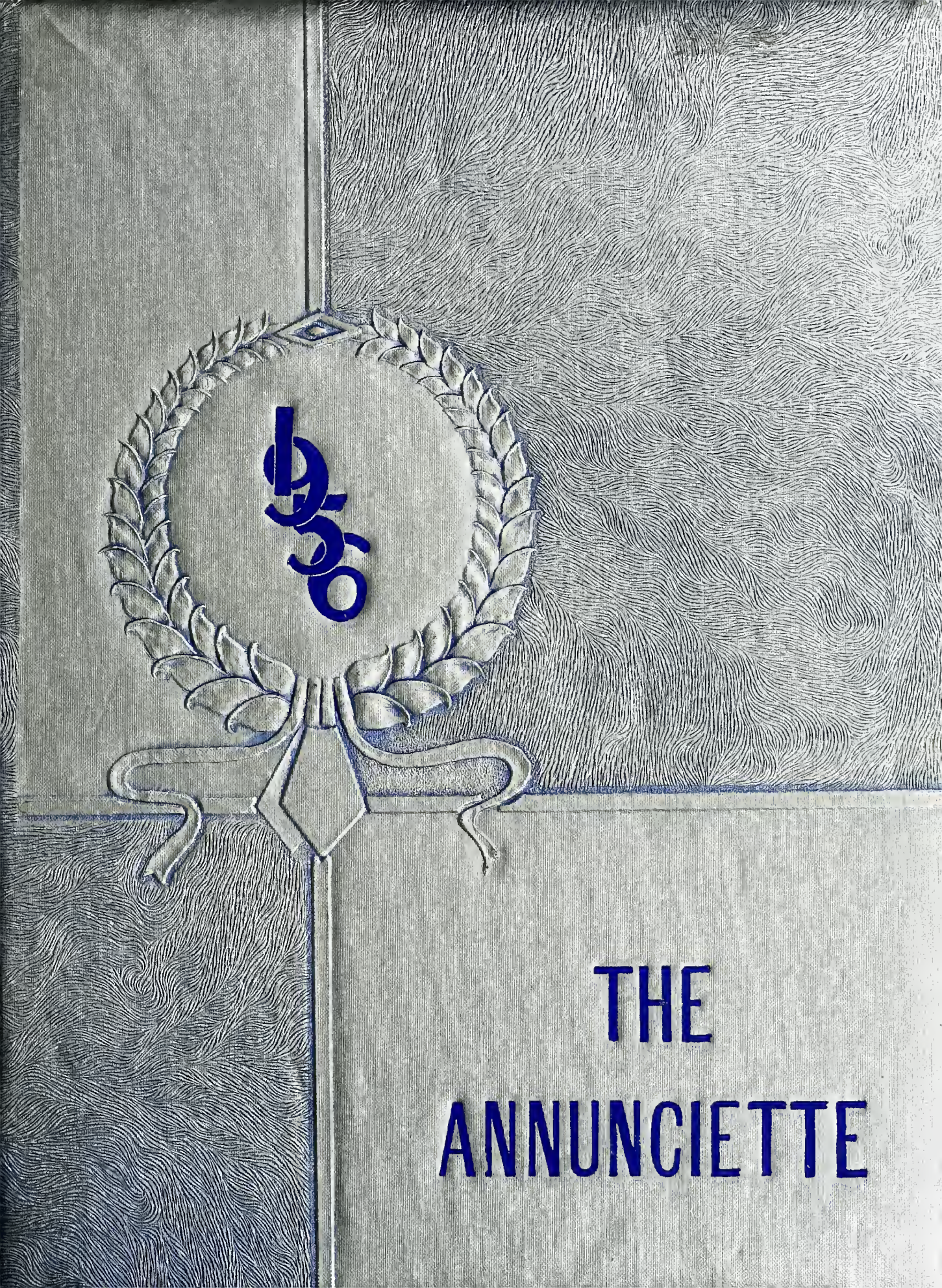
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Dedication

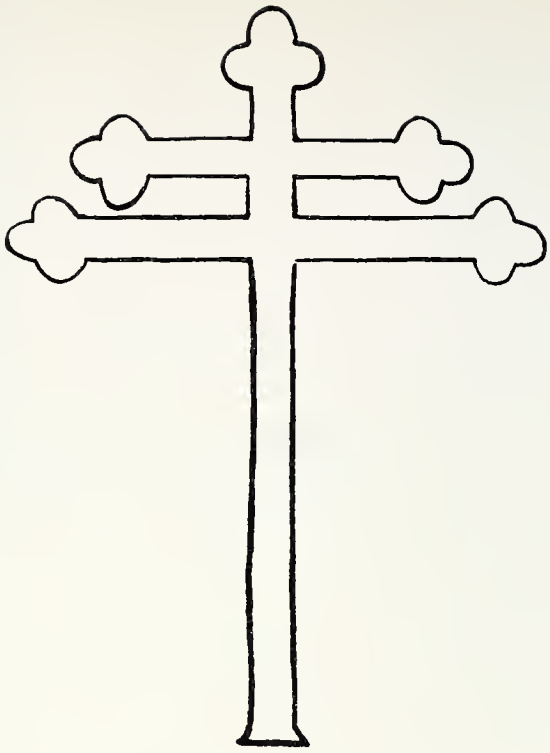
The Class of 1956 would like to dedicate its Annual to the devoted Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament who spend themselves untiringly in the education of youth, but most particularly to Reverend Mother Laura, Superior General of the Congregation.

1956 marks the Golden Anniversary of Reverend Mother Laura as a member of the Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament. Fifty years of service to God, the Catholic Church and to our country through the noble profession of the education of young people.

The importance of a Catholic education cannot be sufficiently emphasized. His Holiness Pope Pius XI in his encyclical letter the CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OF YOUTH stated: "It is therefore as important to make no mistake in education, as it is to make no mistake in the pursuit of the last end, with which the whole work of education is intimately and necessarily connected. In fact, since education consists essentially in preparing man for what he must be and for what he must do here below, in order to attain the sublime end in order for which he was created, it is clear that there can be no true education which is not wholly directed to man's last end, and that in the present order of Providence, since God has revealed Himself to us in the Person of His Only Begotten Son, who alone is the way, the truth and the life, there can be no ideally perfect education which is not Christian education."

Catholic leadership is necessary. Students in our Catholic schools are prepared mentally, socially, physically and spiritually to assume positions of responsibility in every profession. "Christian education," states Pope Pius XI, "takes in the whole aggregate of human life, physical and spiritual, intellectual and moral, individual, domestic and social, not with a view of reducing it in any way, but in order to elevate, regulate and perfect it, in accordance with the example and teaching of Christ."

Therefore, we the Class of 1956, hereby dedicate the Annunciette to Reverend Mother Laura and the Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament.



Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel S.T.D., is the ninth archbishop of New Orleans and thirteenth occupant of the See. Unquestionably he will go down in history as one of the truly great leaders of the Church in New Orleans and in the South. He was installed as bishop of New Orleans on May 15, 1935. Since then he has brought many Catholic associations to the South and has done extensive work in such organizations as the C.Y.O., Holy Name Society, St. Margaret's Daughters, and St. Vincent de Paul Society. Archbishop Rummel also established the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in New Orleans, which helps greatly in spreading Christ's teaching. This Shepherd in Christ has accomplished much among the people of New Orleans and is loved dearly by his flock.

RIGHT REVEREND MONSIGNOR HENRY C. BEZOU

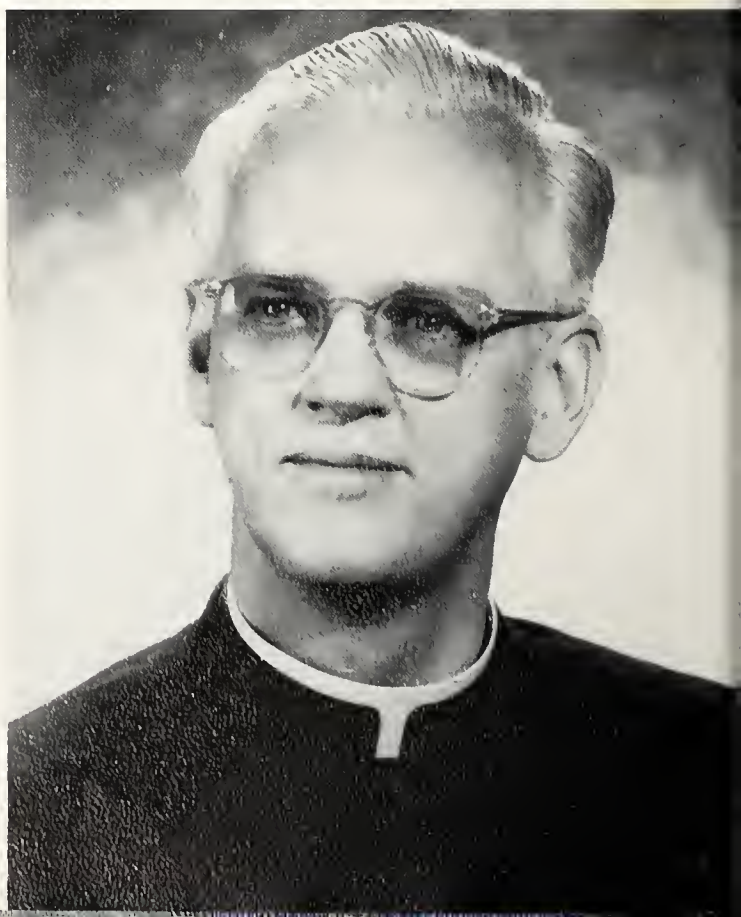
Monsignor Henry C. Bezou is a clergyman and educator. He was born in New Orleans and attended St. Aloysius College, Notre Dame, and St. Joseph seminaries. Loyola conferred upon Monsignor the honorary degree, Doctor of Literature, in 1952. The Catholic University of America had previously conferred upon him a Master of Arts degree. Since 1943, Monsignor Bezou has been Archdiocesan Superintendent of Schools in New Orleans. He has also written many articles, pamphlets, and brochures (including a Course of Study for Catholic Schools in Louisiana).

RIGHT REVEREND MONSIGNOR H. J. JACOBI

Monsignor Jacobi was born in New Orleans, La. and was ordained at St. Louis Cathedral on June 12, 1932. He holds a Masters of Science in Social Work. Monsignor Jacobi was Assistant Pastor at St. Peter's Church in Reserve, La. He was appointed to the Catholic University in Washington, and Executive Director of Associated Catholic Charities. His appointment as a Professor of Sociology at Loyola University preceded his coming to Annunciation in December, 1950. Monsignor was also appointed Papal Chamberlain, with the title of Very Reverend Monsignor, in 1943; and in 1947 appointed Domestic Prelate, with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor.

Father Vosbein was born in New Orleans, La., and was ordained at St. Louis Cathedral on June 3, 1950. Receiving an M.A. in history from Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, he was a temporary assistant at St. James Major in New Orleans and assistant pastor at St. Joseph's Church in Grosse Tete, La. Father Vosbein came to us at Annunciation in December, 1951.

Father Burkley was born in Omaha, Nebraska and was ordained at Notre Dame seminary in New Orleans on June 11, 1949. Father Burkley did graduate work at Juilliard School and teaching was followed by Fellowship grants in Europe and courses in philosophy at Loyola University of Los Angeles. Assignments as curate in New Orleans, Baton Rouge, and Morgan City preceded his appointment to Annunciation Church in May of 1955.



A Stroll Down Memory Lane

These two Freshmen will guide us through our four years of high school life in this Book of Many Faces. They were chosen by their classes as most representative of the joyous years at Annunciation. Let us follow them while they point out the small and great happenings of our school lives. Come with us as we retrace our steps down memory lane, with Jo Ann Ciaccio and Pat Jones.

Pat and Jo Ann, meet the principal of Annunciation High School, Sr. M. Aloysia, M.H.S. Having been principal for three years, Sr. Aloysia is admired and loved by all students. We are sure that you will find her counsel and guidance a great aid in your school life just as your fellow students have found the answer to so many problems through Sr. Aloysia.

The Faculty

As we stroll down memory lane and recall the joyful days of our school life, our thoughts turn to the handful of persons who have made these such pleasant and memorable days.

It is with deepest sincerity and heartfelt gratitude that we, the Graduates of '56, lovingly call to mind our faculty, whose undying interest in the spiritual and temporal welfare of their charges will long be remembered and appreciated.

FATHER VOSBEIN
Weekly instructor for Religion Classes.

SR. ALOYSIA, Principal
Subjects: Religion and Music
Years at A.H.S.: Nine
Homeroom: Senior Class
Degrees: B.A. in English and History, M.A. in Religious Education.
Student Council Advisor and Opera and Symphony Club Director, Advisor, Vocation Club.

FATHER BURKLEY
Weekly instructor for Religion Classes.

SR. LUCRETIA
Subjects:
Religion, Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Typing and Gym.
Years at A.H.S.:
Three
Homeroom: Junior II
Degrees: B.S.
Sodality Moderator

SR. MARGARITA
Subjects:
Shorthand, Typing, Religion, Civics, and Office Practice.
Years at A.H.S.:
Seven
Homeroom: Freshman I
Degrees: B.S. in Education
Civic's Club Moderator

SR. ANNE MARIE
Subjects:
English, Religion and Gym.
Years at A.H.S.:
Three
Homeroom: Sophomore II
Degrees: B.S. in Education
C.S.M.C. Moderator and Librarian, Athletics and Pep Squad.

SR. THOMAS
Subjects:
Religion, Biology, and Science.
Years at A.H.S.:
Two
Homeroom: Freshman II
Degrees: B.S. in Education
Red Cross Moderator

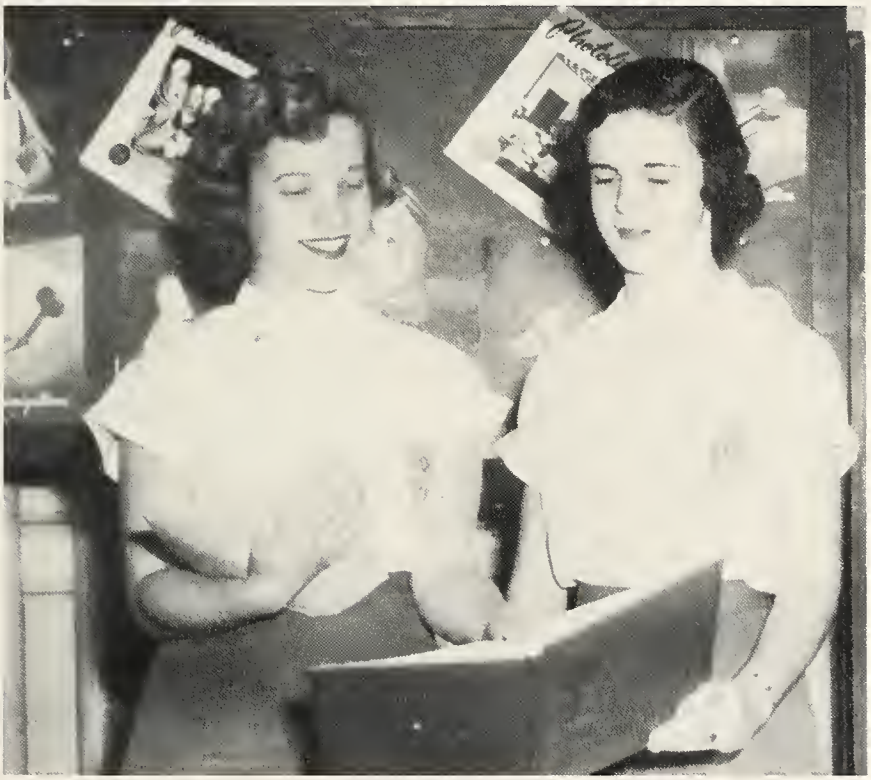
SR. ANDREE
Subjects:
English, Religion, Mathematics, and Music.
Years at A.H.S.:
One
Homeroom: Freshman III
Degrees: B.A. and M.A.
School Newspaper

MRS. LANDRY
Subjects:
Spanish and Algebra.
Years at A.H.S.:
Three
Homeroom: Sophomore I
Degrees: B.A. in Education, M.A.

MRS. FROLICH
Subjects:
English
Years at A.H.S.:
One
Degrees: B.A., B.O.

MRS. PIKE
Subjects:
Civics, History, English and Sociology.
Years at A.H.S.:
Two
Degrees: B.A.
Homeroom: Junior I
Civic's Club Director.

Yearbook Staff



Pat and Jo Ann, we would like to introduce the editors of the 1956 Annunciette, Judy Helmke and Geraldine O'Rourke. These girls have been hard at work preparing copy for the new edition, and are pictured above gathering material for the book.

Business Managers for the 1956 Annunciette are Dorothy Lee Sperandeo and Adele Hernandez.

The staff from left to right are, seated: Pat Riley, Carol Bernius, Congetta Palermo, Jackie Wiefel, Jo Ann Messina, Jean Hebbler. Standing: Madeline Olivier, Gloria Mangin, Ann Nolan, Hazel Guitroz, Lorraine Spicuzza, Marie Baham, Carolyn O'Rourke.

Artists for the 1956 Annunciette are Carolyn Diaz and Sheila Huff.

Senior Class Favorites

ADELE HERNANDEZ,
Most Popular;
JEAN HEBBLER,
Most School Spirit.

CAROLYN DIAZ, Most Athletic;
JUDY HELMKE, Most Likely
to Succeed.

Senior Class Officers

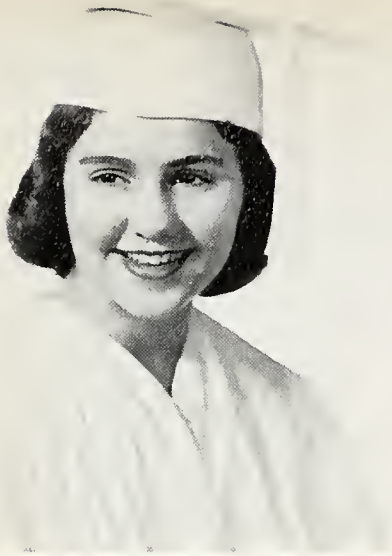
Pat and Jo Ann, meet the Senior Class Officers of 1955-56. From left to right are: Carolyn Diaz, Secretary; Dorothy Lee Sperandeo, Vice President; Adele Hernandez, President; and Janice Hite, Treasurer. Through the years these girls have shown a spirit of leadership in all endeavors which they have undertaken. Now as they and their Senior classmates embark on a new phase of life, this leadership will be present to aid them in future responsibilities and duties.

ANNA RITA BENFATTI

AMBITION: To own a '56 Mercury from Clay Dutton.
IDENTIFICATION: "For Pete's sake."
ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; Sodality Representative and Chairman of Assembly Programs 4; Senior Play 4.

CLARA RITA BENFATTI

AMBITION: To obtain a suitable job.
IDENTIFICATION: "Truthfully speaking."
ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2; Catechism Instructor 1, 2; Vocation Club 1.



EOLA ANN BINDER

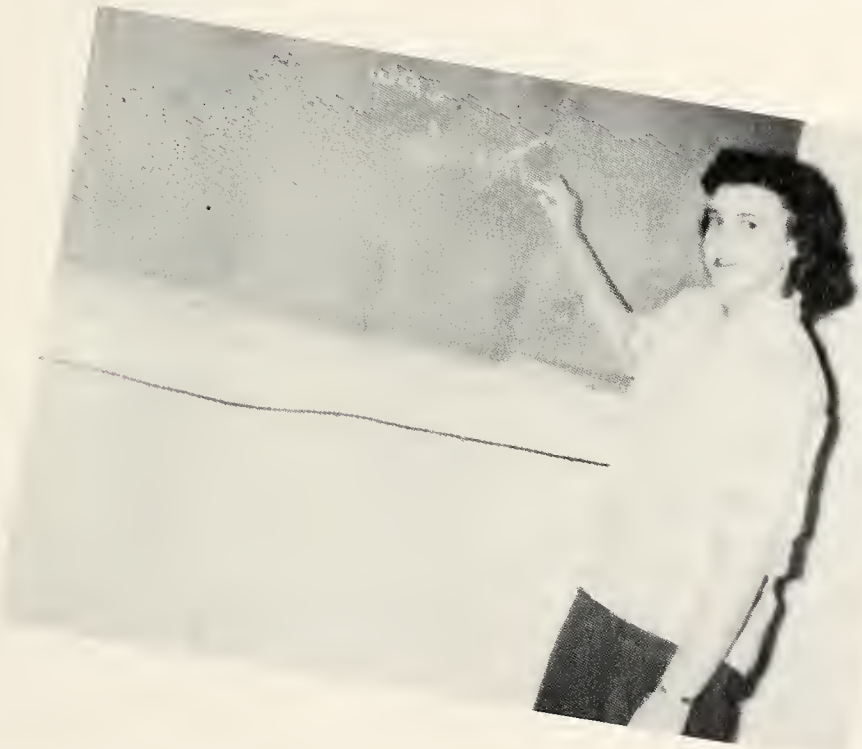
AMBITION: To be queen of Okeanos Ball.
IDENTIFICATION: "The Bride of Dracula" (Okeanos Ball)
ACHIEVEMENTS: School Cheerleader 1; Class Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Sodality Treasurer 4; CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Softball 2; Hilite Reporter 4; Vocation Club 2.

BARBARA ANN BOMINDER

AMBITION: Dancing Teacher.
IDENTIFICATION: "Let me tell you man."
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Intramural Volleyball 1; Sodality and CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play.

LINROSE RITA BROWN

AMBITION: Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: Googie's Ring
ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 2; Catechism Instructor 1, 2.



MARY ETHEL BUCHANAN

AMBITION: Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: "Where's Mary?"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Treasurer 1; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Monitor 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Senior Play; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

PHYLLIS THERESA BURKE

AMBITION: To be a teacher or nurse.
IDENTIFICATION: "The Wanderer."
ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1; Intramurals 2; Junior Play; Catechism Instructor 1; Hilites 4; Red Cross Rep. 1.

VINESSA JOY CEFALU

AMBITION: IBM Operator
IDENTIFICATION: The only Jesuit ring in the whole school. "Well I'll be doggone!"
ACHIEVEMENTS: School Sports 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality and CSMC; Glee Club 1, 2; Vocation Club 2, 3, 4.

GAIL MARIE COUVILLION

AMBITION: Vacation in Hawaii
IDENTIFICATION: "I'll wait for you."
ACHIEVEMENTS: Civics Club President 1; Opera Club 4; Annuciette Reporter 4; SDS; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Vocation Club 2; Sodality Class Secretary 4; Red Cross Representative 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 4; CSAL 4; Senior Play; CSMC.

LAURA LEA CUCCIA

AMBITION: To succeed in everything I do.
IDENTIFICATION: Teddy Bear
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Secretary 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Red Cross Representative 3; Vocation Club Secretary 4; Student Council Secretary 4; CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Catechism Instructor 1, 4; Opera Club 3.

DORIS ANN DEGRUISE

AMBITION: Secretary and Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: Jim's picture and writing letters.
ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

CAROLYN MARGARET DIAZ

AMBITION: To be successful in whatever I do.
IDENTIFICATION: Poster paper in hand.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Secretary 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; CSAL 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; CSMC Treasurer 3; Class Treasurer 2, 3; Student Council Treasurer 3; Annunciette Staff Artist 4; Yearbook Staff Artist 4; Vocation Club 1; Opera Club 4; Sodality Artist 3, 4.

CAROL ANN DIVINCENTI

AMBITION: To be successful in life
IDENTIFICATION: "Comb in hand"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Student Council 3; SDS; Glee Club 1; Opera Club 4; Vocation Club 1, 2, 4; CSMC; Sodality.

HAZEL DOSIA GUITROZ

AMBITION: Secretary
IDENTIFICATION: Sweet and Gentle
ACHIEVEMENTS: Intramurals 2, 3, 4; Basketball 4; Yearbook Staff 4; SDS Representative 2; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

JEAN MARGARET HEBBLER

AMBITION: To be a psychiatrist.
IDENTIFICATION: Eight foot two, eyes of blue.
ACHIEVEMENTS: President of Student Council 4; Annunciette Editor 3, 4; Yearbook Photographer 4; Opera Club President 3, 4; CSMC Treasurer 2; Class President 1; Student Council 1, 2; Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; CSAL 1, 2, 3, 4; Pelican Girls' State 4; SDS Rep. 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Junior U. N. Delegate 3; Junior Citizen Delegate 4.

JUDITH ANN HELMKE

AMBITION: College, then a teaching career
IDENTIFICATION: The blond Spaniard.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Vice President 1; Class President 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; CSMC Treasurer 4; Vice Prefect of Union Sodality 4; Associate Editor of Annunciette 3, 4; Yearbook Editor 4; Junior Citizen Delegate 4; Red Cross Rep. 1; Yearbook Reporter 3; School Paper Reporter 2; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 2.

ADELE ROSE HERNANDEZ

AMBITION: To get that ring
IDENTIFICATION: "Ten lashes with a wet noodle."
ACHIEVEMENTS: Volleyball 1, 2; Class President 2, 3, 4; School Paper Reporter 3; Circulation Manager 4; Yearbook Business Manager 4; Vice President Student Council 3; Monitor 2, 3; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Class Sodality Treasurer 4; Red Cross Representative 1; Hi-Lite Reporter 4.

JANICE MARIE HITE

AMBITION: To go to college
IDENTIFICATION: "Dues, anyone?"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Treasurer 3, 4; Librarian 1, 2; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

SHEILA ANN HUFF

AMBITION: To be a commercial artist
IDENTIFICATION: Sketch book and poster paper.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Library Club President 4; CSMC Artist; Yearbook Staff 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 2; Library Assistant 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Artist 4.

CAROL CLAIRE KIETH

AMBITION: Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: Aloysius ring.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Sodality Representative 3; Pep Squad 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOAN ANN KLEIN

AMBITION: Secretary and Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: Air Force Ring
ACHIEVEMENTS: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOAN KATHERINE KRAUS

AMBITION: To Travel.
IDENTIFICATION: Teen-age Prayer.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Red Cross Representative 1, 2; Vocation Club 2; Annunciette Business Manager 4; SDS; Sports 2, 4; Opera Club 4; CSMC General Chairman 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; CSMC Class Secretary 3, 4; Sodality Class Secretary 4; Intramurals 3, 4; CSAL 4.

MARY JANE LACOSTE

AMBITION: To be successful in life.
IDENTIFICATION: "Guess who I seen?"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Student Council 1; Sodality Rep. 1, 2; SDS Rep. 2; Glee Club 1; Vocation Club 1, 2, 3; Annunciette Photographer 4; CSMC and Class Treasurer 3; Opera Club 4; Library Club 4.

KATHERINE MARY LACOUR

AMBITION: Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: "You'll wait for me."
ACHIEVEMENTS: Sodality Class Secretary 4; Class Treasurer 2; Vocation Club Secretary 3; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 4.

JO ANN LORRAINE MESSINA

AMBITION: Stenographer or Social Worker
IDENTIFICATION: "Girls, may I have your attention?"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Sodality Prefect 4; Sodality Vice Prefect 3; Class Vice President 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; CSAL 1, 2, 3, 4; Vocation Club 1, 2; Staff Reporter 2, 4; Senior Play; SDS Representative 2.

ALICIA OCHOA OAKLAND

AMBITION: Secretary
IDENTIFICATION: South of the border.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Secretary 3; Intramurals 2, 3; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Vocation Club 1.

GERALDINE LOURDES O'ROURKE

AMBITION: Secretary
IDENTIFICATION: Let's be quiet girls.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 2; CSMC Secretary 2; Student Council 4; Sodality Secretary 4; Yearbook Assistant Editor 4.

CONGETTA MARIE PALERMO

AMBITION: To travel.
IDENTIFICATION: Petite and sweet
ACHIEVEMENTS: Yearbook Staff 4; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Civics Club President 1; Junior Citizen Delegate 4.

JOANNE RUTH PART

AMBITION: Secretary
IDENTIFICATION: "Oh, Cotton Picken!"
ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOYCELYN ANITA PERROT

AMBITION: Motherhood
IDENTIFICATION: "R" ring
ACHIEVEMENTS: Cheerleader 2; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4;
Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

MARIE JANE POLMAN

AMBITION: Beautician
IDENTIFICATION: "I'm taking names."
ACHIEVEMENTS: Student Council 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 3; Junior Play.

PATRICIA LINDA RILEY

AMBITION: To study Journalism at SLI
IDENTIFICATION: "Shucks, I gotta write it over!"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Student Council 2; Librarian 2, 3, 4; Annunciette Reporter 2, 3; Annunciette Associate Editor 4; Opera Club 3, 4; Red Cross Rep. 3, 4; Junior Citizen Delegate 4; Yearbook Staff 4; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; CSAL 4; Vocation Club 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; CSMC and Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

EDNA MAE ROCKVOAN

AMBITION: Secretary and Marriage
IDENTIFICATION: "What's happened?"
ACHIEVEMENTS: Red Cross Representative 1; Pep Squad 4; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

BARBARA ANN RODRIGUEZ

AMBITION: To get a little white gold band around my finger.
IDENTIFICATION: Bill this and Bill that.
ACHIEVEMENTS: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Vocation Club 2, 3, 4; Red Cross Representative 2; Associate Editor of Annunciette 4; Intramurals 2, 3, 4.

ROSE MARY SCHEXNAYDER

AMBITION: Housewife
IDENTIFICATION: Engagement ring
ACHIEVEMENTS: Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Class Vice President 2; Cheerleader 1, 2; CSMC; Sodality.

JOYCE ANN SCHMIT

AMBITION: Happiness in the future
IDENTIFICATION: Engagement ring
ACHIEVEMENTS: Senior Play; Pep Squad; CSMC; Sodality.

DOROTHY LEE SPERANDEO

AMBITION: To be a good wife and mother
IDENTIFICATION: Engagement ring
ACHIEVEMENTS: Class Treasurer 1; Class President 3; Class Vice President 4; Student Council 2; Yearbook Manager 4; Sodality Treasurer 2; CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4.

LORRAINE THERESA SPICUZZA

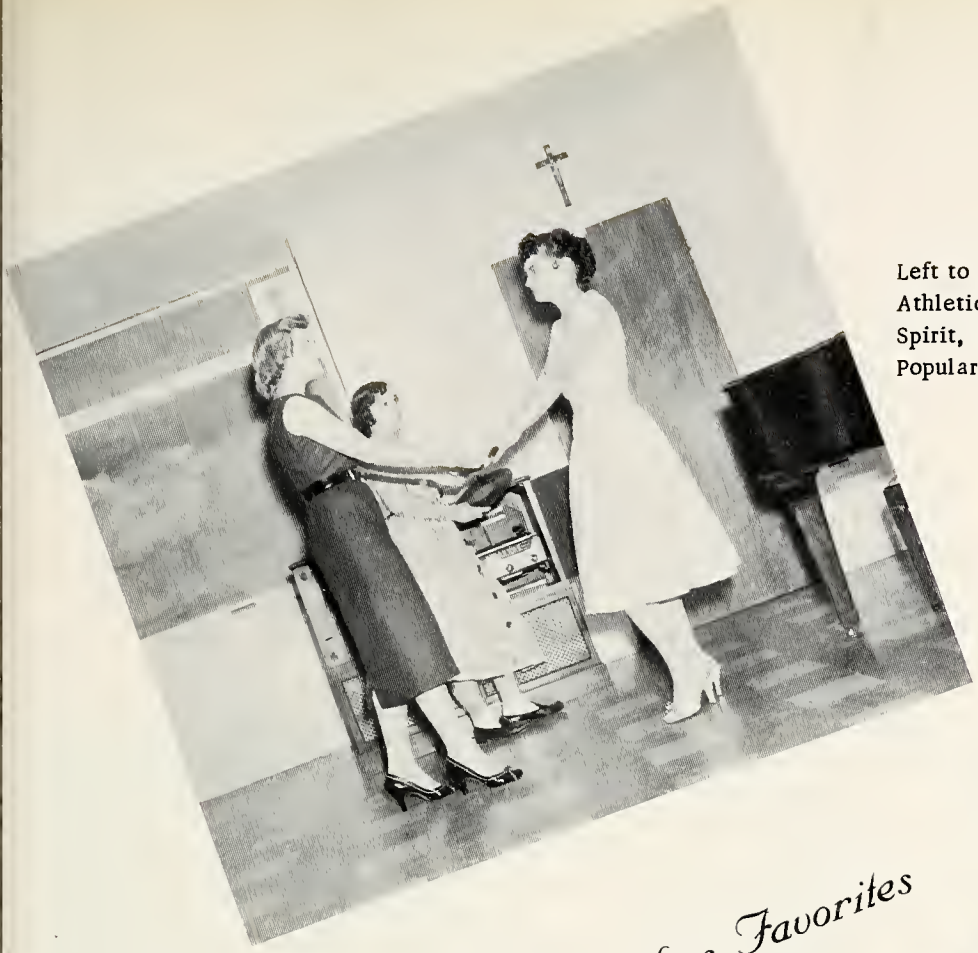
AMBITION: To do two things at one time
IDENTIFICATION: "You must be out of your ever-lovin' mind."
ACHIEVEMENTS: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2; Corresponding Secretary Sodality; Red Cross Rep. 1, 2; Red Cross President 3, 4; Opera Club 3, 4; Vocation Club 1, 2, 3; Class Secretary 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; CSAL 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club President; Yearbook Staff 4; Annunciette Business Manager 4; Junior Citizen Delegate.

JACQUELINE ANN WIEFEL

AMBITION: To visit all the Marine bases in the United States.

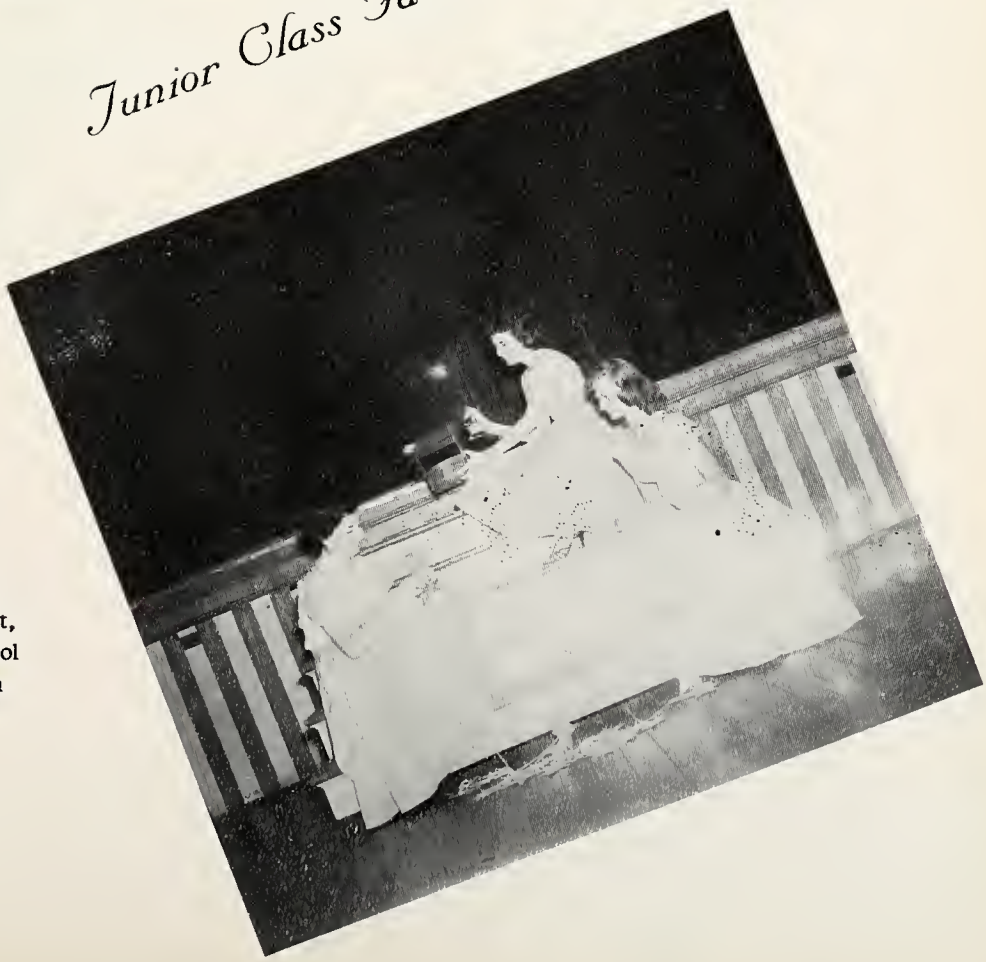
IDENTIFICATION: Rosy complexion and blue eyes.

ACHIEVEMENTS: CSMC 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 4; Yearbook Staff 4.



Left to right: Wittiest and Most Athletic, Sue Turner; Most School Spirit, Roslyn Boudoin; Most Popular, Margaret Fayard.

Junior Class Favorites

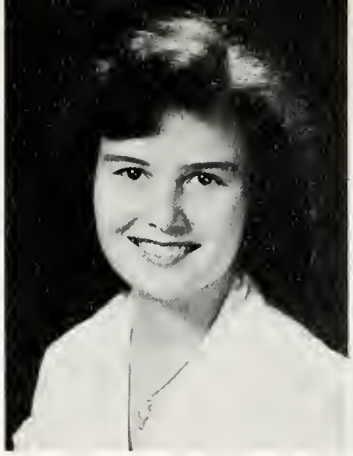


Left to right: Most Athletic, Geraldine Cardinale; Wittiest, Mary Ann Portier; Most School Spirit and Most Popular, Ann Nolan.

Juniors

Officers of the Junior Class for the 1955-56 school year are as follows:

President - - - - - - - - - - - MARGARET FAYARD
Vice President - - - - - - - - - - - - ANN NOLAN
Secretary - - - - - - - - - - - - - - ELLEN HENRY
Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - ADELE BROCKHOEFT



DIANE BURGARD

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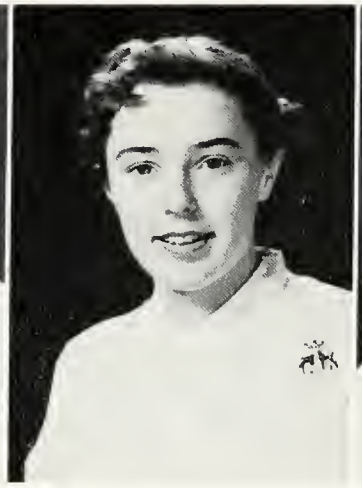

SYLVIA HALL

MARGARET FAYARD

GLORIA MANGIN

CHARLENE DUREL

MARIA SCAFFIDI

Left to right: Most School Spirit, Beverly Selzer; Most Popular, Patsy Pattison; Wittiest, Sharon Haas; Most Athletic, Diana Veron.

Sophomore Class Favorites

Left to right: Most Popular, Louise Villar; Most School Spirit, Alma Borja; Most Athletic, Pal Williams; Wittiest, Jo Ann Perniciaro, not shown.

Sophomores

Alma Borja
Catherine Cardona

Barbara Ragas

Judy Eumont
Mary Grenner

Ruth Retif

Mil Lou Kash
Phyllis Kraus

Joy Stovall

Joan Lion
Catherine Nugent

Carol Tessitore

Mary Nuncio
Carolyn O'Rourke

Mary Ann Varnau

Patsy Pattison
Jo Ann Perniciaro

Myrlin Verneiulle

Carol
Fortier

Madeline
Olivier

Jeanie
Mistretta

Gilda
Miller

Sophomores

Eleanor
Watson

Myra
Silva

Palmyre
Williams

Beverly Selzer

Sandra Greco

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Marie Baham

Freshman

Left to right: Most School Spirit, Pat Jones; Wittiest, Cecile Cassisa; Most Popular, Susie Ardoin; Most Athletic, Linda Dauterive.

Class

Left to right: Most School Spirit, Mary Ann Guccione; Wittiest, Jo Ann Ciaccio; Most Popular, Diane Morrison; Most Athletic, Mildred Tresch.

Favorites

Left to right: Most Popular, Barbara Jean Parham; Most School Spirit, Frances Flannagan; Wittiest, Celeste Dreaux; Most Athletic, Fresia Romero.

Freshman Class Officers

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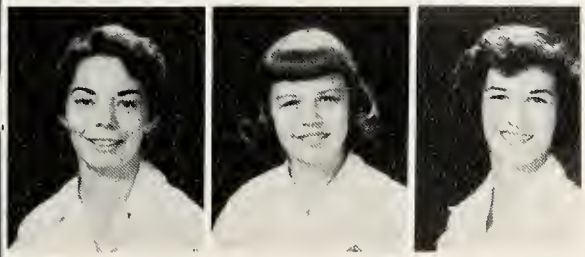

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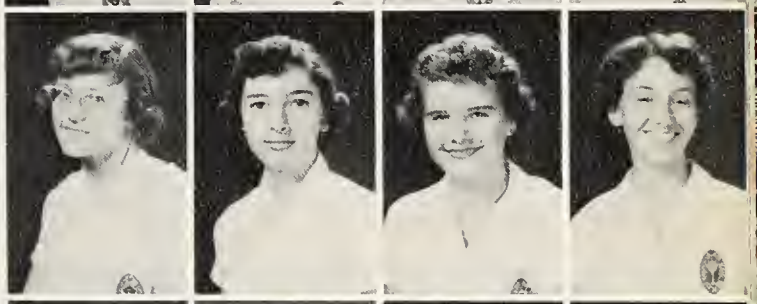

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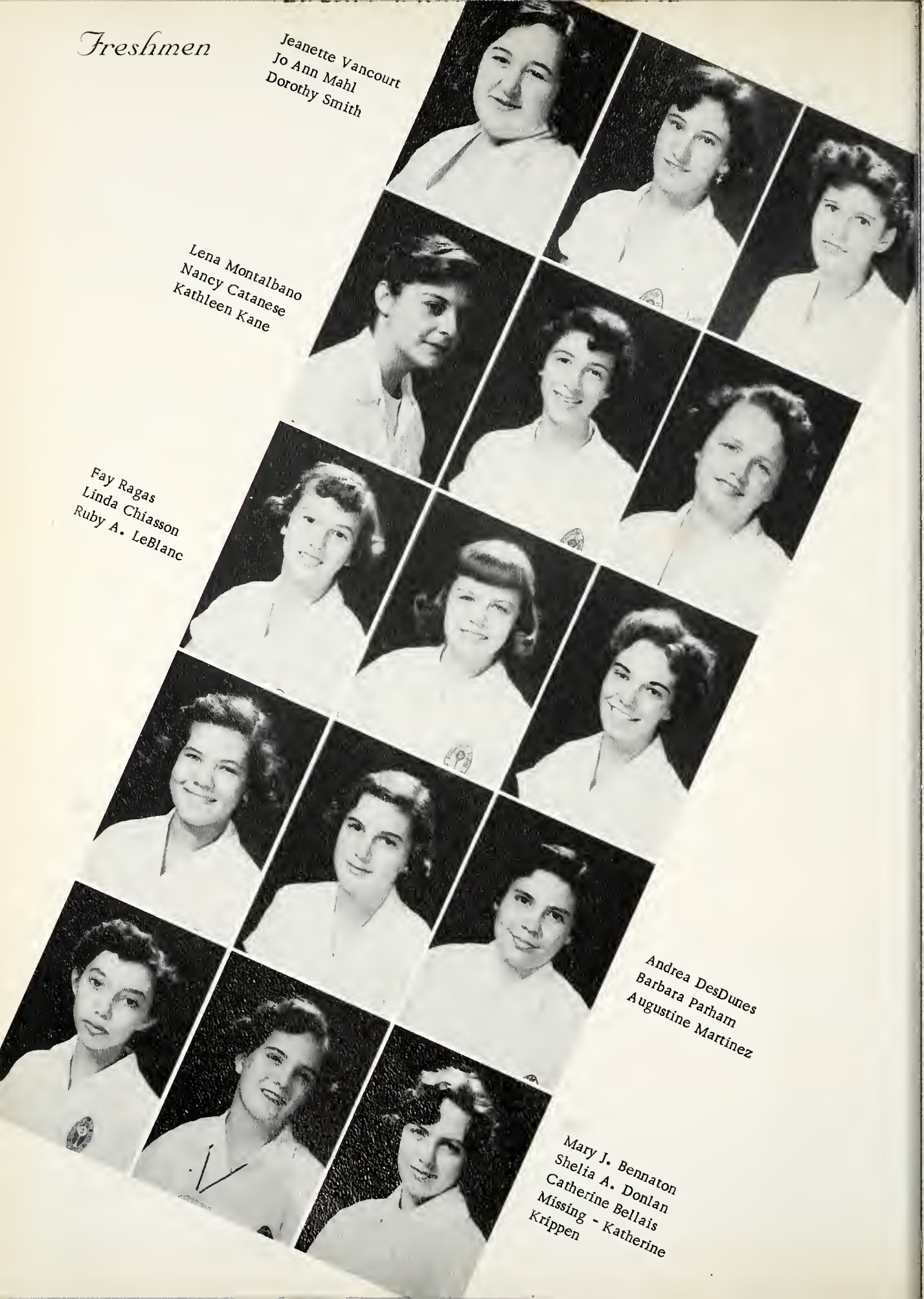

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The Beauty Court of '56

We wish to acknowledge our appreciation to the boys of Kirwin High School in Galveston, Texas, for helping us to select the Beauty Court.

To add a touch of beauty to the 1956 Annunciette may we present to you, Pat and Jo Ann, the Queen and her Maids. As you unfold these pages, beauty, poise, and personality will radiate towards you from behind the pretty smiles of these girls. So without further ado, here is her Majesty and her Court.

Miss Bonnie Foret

Queen

MISS GAIL COUVILLION

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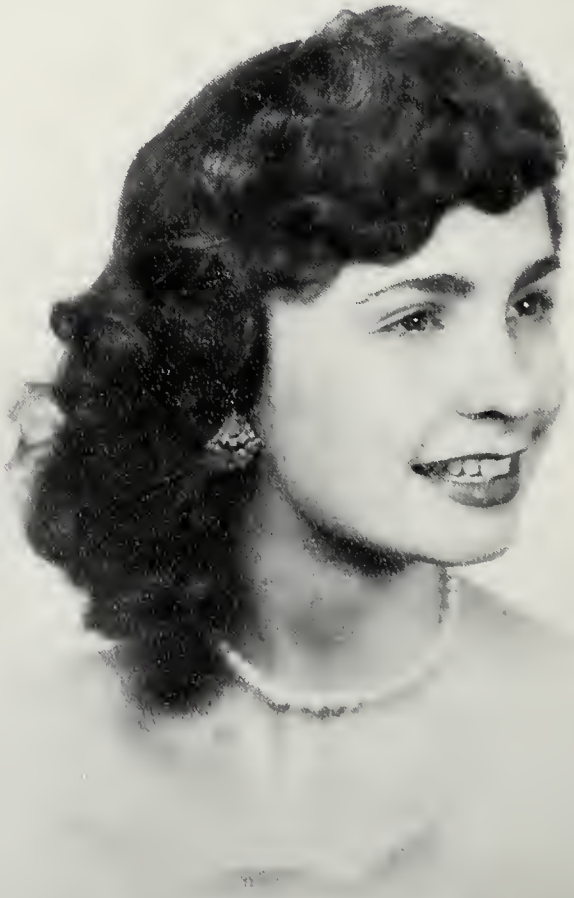
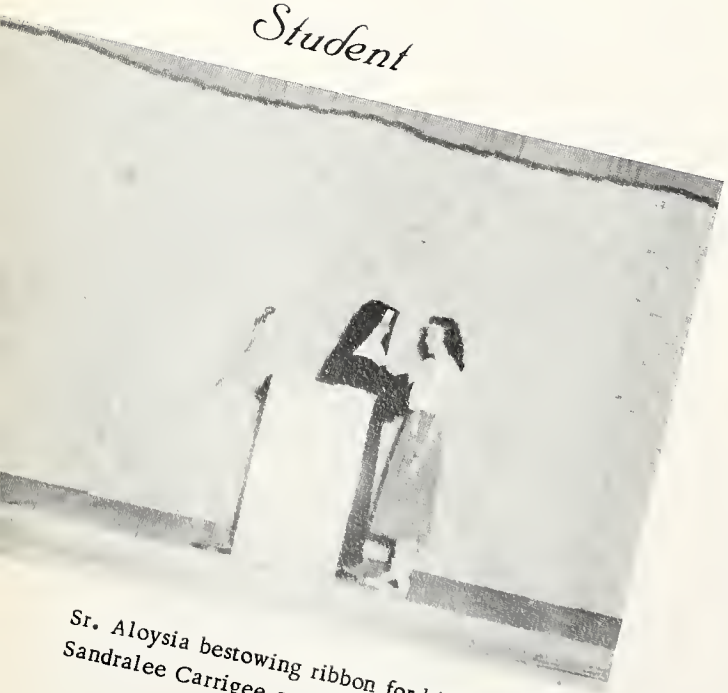


MISS ANN NOLAN

Organizations

President of the Student Council, Jean Hebbler, is shown above at a celebration honoring Msgr. Jacobi on his feast day.

Student Council



Sr. Aloysia bestowing ribbon for highest honor to Sandralee Carrigee on Color Day.

Sr. Aloysia presenting other awards to deserving students on Color Day.

Officers from left to right: Cynthia Songy, Secretary; Mary Ann Varnau, President; Sr. Anne Marie, Moderator; Judy Helmke, Treasurer; Beverly Selzer, Vice President.

The Sacred Heart for the World

The World for the Sacred Heart

C.S.M.C.

The Catholic Student's Mission Crusade is an organization with the program of promoting apostolic spirit among Catholic young people of the United States, especially those who are students. The Crusade program includes three principal items--prayer, study, and sacrifice--all beamed toward the mission apostolate of the Church.

Looking over the Sodality pamphlet rack are the officers,from left to right: Marie Baham, Vice Prefect; Jo Ann Messina, Prefect; Eola Binder, Treasurer; Geraldine O'Rourke, Secretary.

Sanctification of self and others is the main goal of the Sodality. Sodalists reach this goal by constant recollection of their motto: "To Jesus Through Mary." The Sodality, with the aid of the Blessed Virgin, tries to plant into the minds and hearts of the students that nothing is more important than the saving of one's own soul. Before anything else, Sodalists are taught the virtues of purity and charity.

The Sodality has many activities, such as conventions and regular meetings, which are aids in helping the members work together for a common goal.

Perpetual Rosary Continues 1951-56

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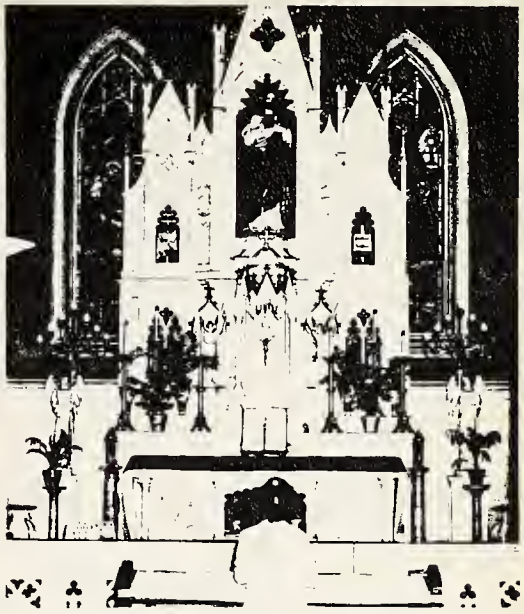

EVELYN REED, freshman, takes her turn to say the Rosary of ...dy in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Principal's Message

Dear Students:

Once again God has ... holy season of Lent. It is a HOLY time beca... filled with grace, which if used pr... your holiness.

Lent gives spec... tion and penance. S... note. In addition t... personal sins, in C... for the sins of o... obstinate.

Because o... iet this seaso... Lord: "Unle... In order to ... resolution ... cord ther... before r... way yo...

Choral Concert Presented in the Spirit of Liturgy

A choral concert with tableaux carrying out the theme of Christmas and the Epiphany was held after Christmas in accord with the spirit of the liturgical sea... Both the Senior Choral Club, ... Sister M. Aloysia, ...horal Club, di... par-

... for Threefold Intention

...ontinued a fifth year for three ...se of religious vocations, ...es, from the ...morn-

PATRICIA TALAZAC examines the mat which will be put in an "autoplate" where molten metal will be poured against it.

Near... sociated Press ... ious offices for editors ... first brought here by reporters, telephone, or wire, and then sent on to be printed.

In the photograph department pictures are received by electrical impulses, as well as by the ordinary chemical process.

The operators of the Linotypes have six years of apprenticeship. They are capable of taking their machine apart and reassembling them. They set lines of type rapidly. These lines are then put in frames. A galley proof is run and sent to the proof-readers.

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The *Times-Picayune - States* has eight modern presses that

COOP CLUB GIVES CHICKEN DINNER

A chicken dinner will be given by the Cooperative Club Sunday, February 26, announced Mrs. J. Selzer, president. The proceeds will be used for the school.

A second benefit dance was

the ... cine field ... research was ... many years: the field tra... cost $7,500,000. The March ... Dimes helped support the research.

Mr. O'Connor cited a report made by Dr. Thomas Francis, Jr., in which it was stated that the Salk vaccine was effective in combatting 60 to 90 per cent of cases of Type I virus, and 90 per cent effective in Types II and III. Type I, Milbar Polio, can be detected by its characteristic symptoms, a constant cold, and a pain in the neck; this type causes little or no paralysis. Type II

Sophomore All-Tournament Sta...

Diana Veron was given an all-tournament award as one of the 12 best players in the Junior Division at the basketball tournament, January 8, at Dominican High School.

Fifty-four players, forming nine

...verage ... Helm- ...eraldine Spicuzza, ...a Martin, ...ongy, Lula- ... Greco, Ruth ...s Kraus, Jo- ... Olivier, Ruth ...knayder, Mary ...ry Ann Gucci- ...ughes, Patricia ...lynn Lugenbuhl, ...iller.

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...ure," was the theme of the ...he Rev. Daniel F. Gebhardt, ...e, Louisiana, is a member of ...e Franciscan Mission Band.

Life, venial and mortal sin, holy Communion, Confirmation, and death were the topics developed on the first day.

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The Senior Choral Club of Annunciation, under the direction of Sr. M. Aloysia, has taken part in many choral concerts and programs throughout the year.

The newly-organized Junior Choral Club of Annunciation, under the direction of Sr. M. Andree, has taken its place on the list of organizations at A.H.S.

Vocation Club

This organization aids students in selecting the career for which they are best suited. It also brings out any would-be religious vocations.

The officers are from left to right: Roslyn Boudoin, President; Laura Lea Cuccia, Secretary; Pat Jones, Vice President; Sandralee Carrigee, Librarian.

Athletic Club

The purpose of the Athletic Club is to promote school spirit among the girls at Annunciation through participation in sports. The club works with the volleyball, basketball, and softball teams, and tries to instill into the girls the idea of working with others and gaining victory as a team. Besides the team, the club deals with the cheerleaders and pep squad.

OFFICERS:
Nancy Burns
President
Beverly Selzer
Vice President
Madeline Olivier
Secretary
Sister Anne Marie
Moderator

Seated, from left to right: Sr. M. Thomas, Moderator; Lorraine Spicuzza, President. Standing: Barbara Serio, Vice President; Sylvia Hall, Secretary.

For the past two years, under the expert guidance of Sr. M. Thomas, the Junior Red Cross has excelled in all its work. A council, created during last year, is formed of representatives of every class. The council is headed by Lorraine Spicuzza and carries out many worthwhile projects.

> "We believe in service for others, for our country, our community, and our school, in health of mind and body to fit us for greater service, and in working for better human relations throughout the world. We have joined the American Junior Red Cross to help achieve our aims by working together with members everywhere in our own and other lands."

Junior Red Cross filling gift boxes.

Opera Club

The purpose of the Opera Club is to help educate students that are interested in the Operas and Symphonies. During the year 1955, the Opera Club attended "Aida" performed by the Xavier University School of Music which everyone enjoyed thoroughly. Sister Aloysia made available for our use a hi-fidelity recorder which enabled us to enjoy more fully the recordings of Operas and Symphonies. Officers of the Opera Club are: President, Jean Hebbler; Secretary-Treasurer, Sylvia Hall; Librarians, Joan Kraus and Gail Couvillion.

Student checks out book.

Library Club

Pat and Jo Ann, during your stay at Annunciation you will have many occasions to make use of the library. Checking out books and cataloging them are the tasks of these book-loving students of the Library Club.

We are justly proud of our library and wish you many happy hours therein. Librarians for the 1955-56 school year are Sheila Huff and Pat Riley.

Students doing research work.

Co-op. Club

The Cooperative Club, an organization of the parents of A.H.S. students, has completed a most successful year of fund-raising projects for the improvement of the school.

Officers for the 1955-56 school year are as follows:

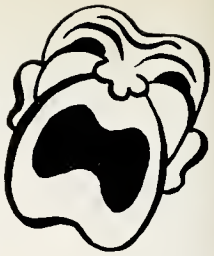
President - Mrs. J. Selzer

Vice President - Mrs. Scaffidi

Secretary - Mrs. O'Rourke, Mrs. Songy

Treasurer - Mr. Pattison

Dramatics



Junior Play

"Mama's Baby Boy"

Above, Joy Perret and Frank Hyer, leading characters in the play, rehearse a scene from the play.

The play, a comedy in three acts and directed by Sr. Lucretia and Mrs. E. Pike, concerns a forty-year old widow who has lost her money in stocks and bonds. In order to keep her son in college and insure financial security for both of them, she plans to marry a widower, whom she thinks is in his thirties and very wealthy; but who, in reality, is also in his forties and minus his estate. He also plans to marry for financial security for him and his seventeen-year old daughter.

The meeting of the two families proves very hilarious as each discovers the truth about the other after having dressed up the children as twelve-year olds to disguise their age. The play, however, has a happy ending as the two marry despite previous falsehoods.

Senior Play

At left students practice for play, endeavoring to memorize lines to perfection as the "big night" draws near.

"Stranger in the Night"

Just off the lobby of the hotel in which the play is set, there is a gift shop, capably owned and operated by two attractive young ladies, Sylvia Lee and Mable Crane. These two are good natured and fun loving, and not at all deserving of the events that fall upon their shapely shoulders...because someone is plotting a murder and the scene of this catastrophe is to be their own little gift shop.

Grant Terry, a young newspaper reporter from New York, has discovered the plot and travels to this town to warn the damsels. When he reveals the impending danger, the entire cast gets the idea that they individually are to be the victims and begin repenting of their past ills which proves hilarious. The real victim is discovered and the would-be murderer is caught.

At right cast is shown as the play comes to an exciting climax.

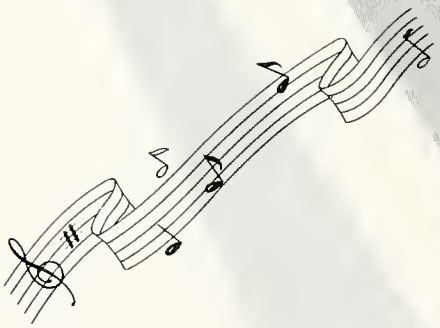
Athletics

Senior and Junior Teams - Kneeling, from left to right: Joan Kraus, Alma Borja, Diana Veron, Sandra Greco, Mary Ann Varnau, Pal Williams, Teresita Crise. Second row: Eleanor Watson, Gilda Miller, Sue Turner, Carolyn Diaz, Lorraine Spicuzza, Linda Dauterive, Joycelyn Theriot. Third row: Patsy Pattison, Del Rita O'Neill, Barbara Ragas, Jean Hebbler, Gail Couvillion, Mary Ann Portier, Diane Burke, Sue Gueniot.

School Cheerleaders warm up for Big Game. Kneeling, left to right: Joy Stovall, Jo Ann Corb, Pat Poumaroux, Joy Perret, Nancy Burns. Top row: Judy Eumont, Margaret Fayard, Mary Rose Lubrano, Marcia Poche, Beverly Selzer.

Sophomore Class Cheerleaders are as follows, kneeling, left to right: Sarahlynn Carson, Merle Venta, Marie Louise Schexnayder, Carolyn O'Rourke, Madeline Olivier. Standing: Mary Nuncio, Zilda Rabalais, Anne Alison, Sandralee Carrigee, Marian Picou.

Special Activities



Initiation

Well, Pat and Jo Ann, initiation brings back many fond memories, doesn't it? As you continue your stroll down memory lane, this occasion will forever stand out as a reminder of your official acceptance into the student body of A.H.S.

Although tired and thoroughly exhausted, these freshmen agreed to pose for our camera. See you around, girls!

Here are three typical freshies all dolled-up for the day's fun.

The President of the Student Council welcomes the new members and wishes them well throughout their four years.

The President of the Freshman Class accepts welcome.

Ring Ceremony

When November rolled around, the Seniors greeted everyone with that Pepsodent Smile and were as excited as can be. They were receiving those long-awaited rings.

Happy Class Officers cut cake at Ring Party

Solemn moment when rings are presented

Smiling recipients gather around cake

Seniors give prevue of rings

Students at prayer

Retreat Master having discussion with retreatants.

Retreat House

SENIOR RETREAT

Filled with tension and excitement, the Seniors left for a new retreat destination, Bay St. Louis, Miss. Staying at St. Margaret's Daughters Home for a few days seemed to be the next best exciting thing to the Ring Ceremony.

The Director was Father J.T. Walsh of Springhill College, Alabama.

The retreat afforded many spiritual benefits which will aid Seniors in their future lives.

"Your Life--Past, Present, Future," theme of annual Three-Day Retreat.

The Rev. Gebhardt, a native of Monroe, Louisiana, conducted the students' annual three-day retreat.

Life, venial and mortal sin, Holy Communion, Confirmation, and death were the topics discussed on the first day.

On the second day, lectures were given on Confession and the Ten Commandments. A special conference was held on the Sixth Commandment.

The single, married, and religious states were discussed on the third day. Father Daniel described the true Catholic girl and the counterfeit one. Christ's death on the cross was the subject of the last talk.

The climax of the retreat came when the students received the Papal Blessing.

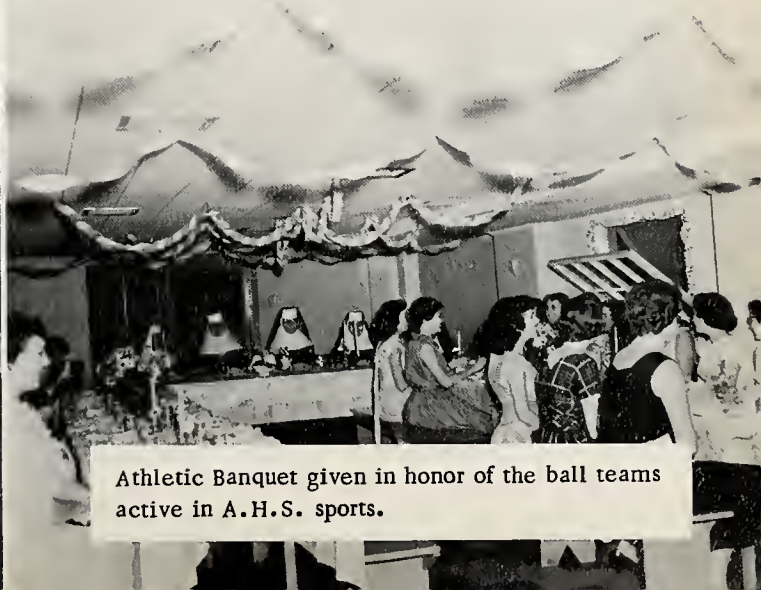
Comic Fashion Show put on by the Seniors.

Participants in Flag Day Ceremony.

Proudly displaying N.O.M.A. Certificates for perfect spelling papers are, left to right: Joy Perret, Judith Helmke, Carolyn Hughes, Jean Hebbler, and Madeline Olivier.

Shower given for A.H.S. students, Roslyn and Shirley Boudoin who are to enter the convent.

Receiving awards from the C.B.E.A. Contest held at Baton Rouge are Geraldine O'Rourke, winner of third place spelling medal, and Lorraine Spicuzza, winner of second place shorthand medal.



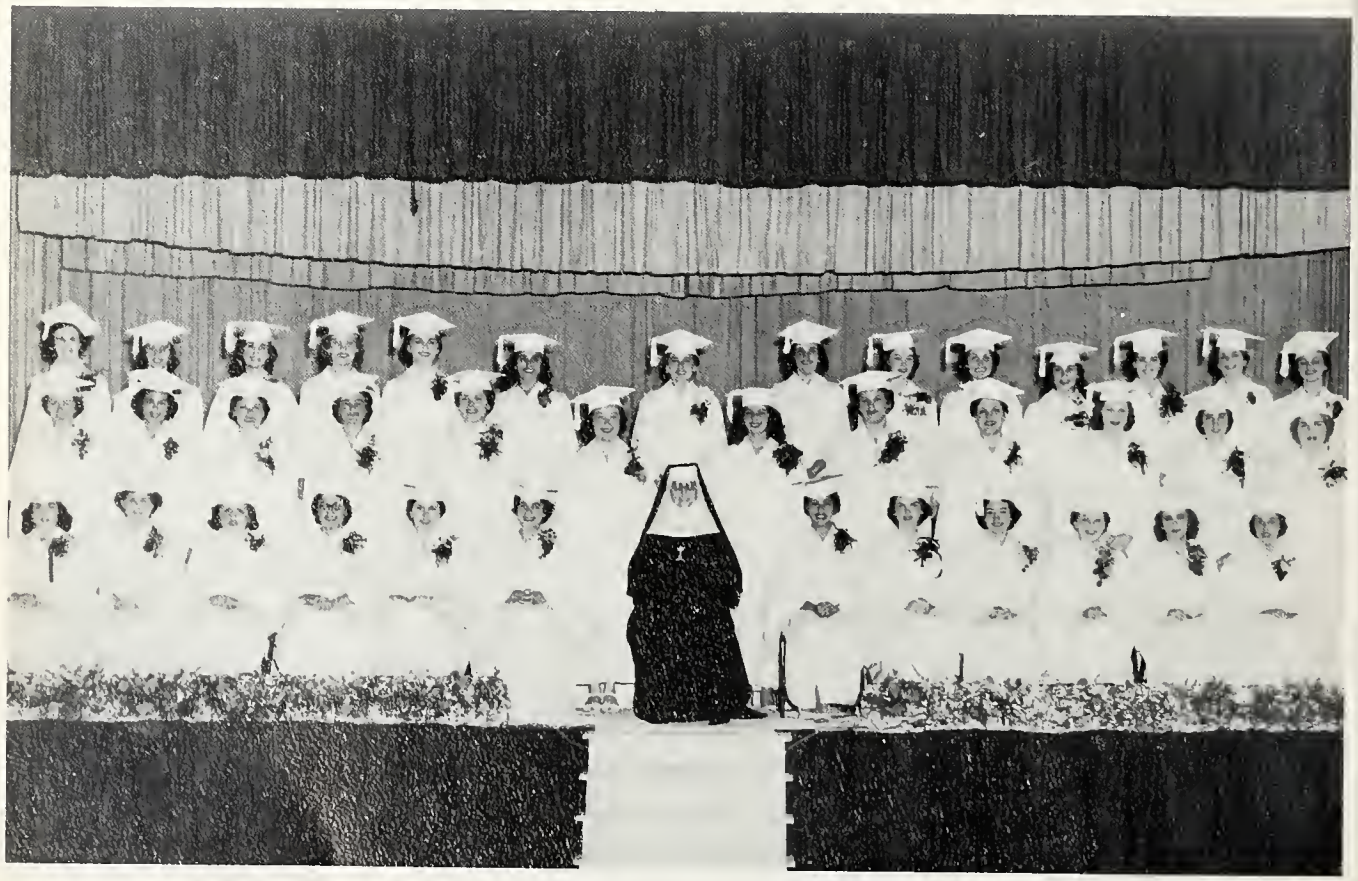
Athletic Banquet given in honor of the ball teams active in A.H.S. sports.

Class Night

JUDY HELMKE
Vadedictorian

JEAN HEBBLER
Salutatorian
American Legion Award

Graduation



As the gates close at the end of the school year, so do we conclude our stroll down memory lane with Pat and Jo Ann. We, the Seniors of 1956, have retraced our steps through four years of high school with these two freshmen who are just beginning that most eventful journey.

May we wish the best of luck and happiness to those who follow us as we bid farewell to our Alma Mater, Annunciation High School.

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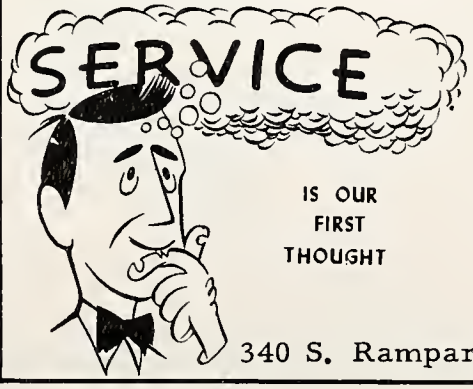

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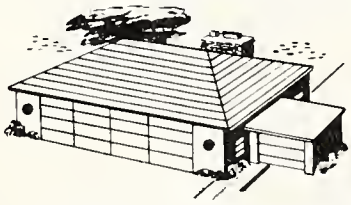

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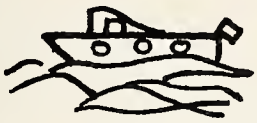

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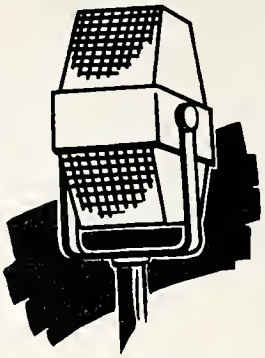

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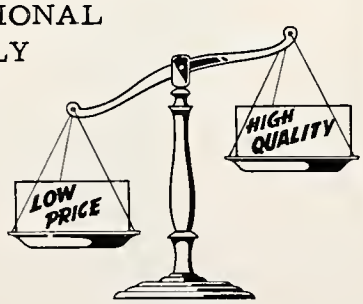

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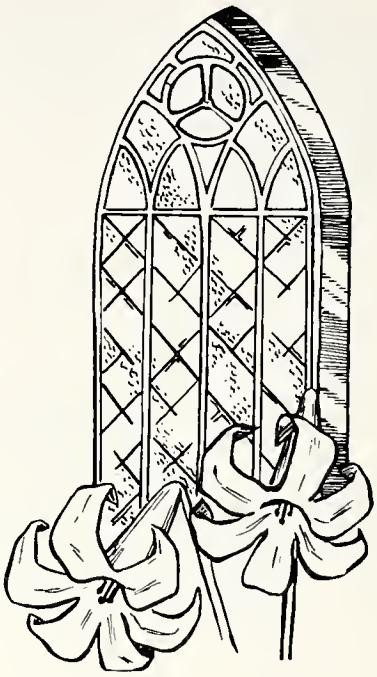

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